

Corporate Governance, Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainable Accounting Reporting



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Foreword

In the modern landscape of global business, **Corporate Governance (CG)**, **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)**, and **Sustainability Accounting Reporting (SAR)** have emerged as essential frameworks for ensuring corporate accountability and long-term environmental stewardship. Yet, as the cases in this book demonstrate, the gap between declared commitments and actual practices remains alarmingly wide.

This book, *Top 50 Environmental Violation Cases*, offers a compelling and sobering exploration of how systemic governance failures, superficial CSR efforts, and deficient sustainability reporting can lead to large-scale ecological harm and social injustice. Each case serves as a powerful reminder that without robust governance structures, transparent reporting mechanisms, and genuine ethical commitment, CSR can devolve into mere greenwashing.

From the catastrophic oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico to chronic pollution in the Niger Delta and misleading ESG disclosures by global corporations, these examples expose the fragility of voluntary compliance and the dangers of unchecked corporate power. They underscore the urgent need for **binding ESG frameworks**, stronger regulatory oversight, and the integration of **sustainability reporting into core financial accountability**.

It is my hope that this book will not only inform but also challenge readers—particularly regulators, board members, auditors, and sustainability professionals—to reimagine the role of governance in protecting our planet and its people. True corporate accountability begins with truth in reporting and ends with action rooted in ethical responsibility.

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